REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

As a result of this Amendment, claims 1-7, 9-10, 12, and 14-23 are under active consideration in the subject patent application.

In the Non-Final Official Action, the Examiner:

- (1) rejected claims 4-17, 19, and 21 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph; and
- (2) identified claims 1-3, 18, 20, 22, and 23 as presenting allowable subject matter.

With regard to Items 1 and 2, Applicant has canceled claims 8, 11 and 13, and amended claims 1-7, 9-10, 12, and 14-23. No new matter has been entered into the case as a result of these changes to the claims. In particular, the claims have been amended to attend to the various objections and rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. The blocking device (40) is now defined as magnetic block, that may be a magnetizable device that is operated by an outside magnet. With magnetic block 40 in claim 1, claim 4 now defines this magnetic block as a magnetizable blocking device, that blocks bolt 30. The bolt itself is a "barrier device" that reaches below the flange. In claims 4 and 5, have been amended to better clarify the additional structure over claim 1. In claim 6, a mechanical device cannot reach the compartment. In claim 19, the minimum weight is defined that is suitable to lock the bolt. Claim 23 has been amended so as to explicitly recite the magnetizable block, to which the magnetic field is applied (through the cover wall 22a). The polygonal bar claimed in claim 10 is contained in claim 21. The bolt has according to claim 10 a non-round cross section and according to claim 21 a polygonal shape.

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In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submit that claims 1-7, 9-10, 12, and 14-23 are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is therefore respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the above-identified application, Applicant's undersigned Attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at 215-979-1255.

Respectfully Submitted,

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